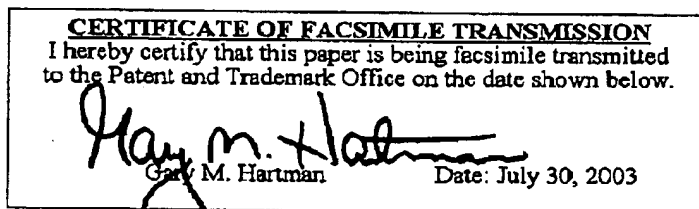


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The undersigned attorney respectfully requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action of March 31, 2003 (Paper No. 5), such that this response is due on July 31, 2003. Please charge the \$110.00 fee for filing this response to the deposit account of Hartman & Hartman, P.C., Account No. 08-0960.

In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified United States patent application as follows: